

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11 DARIUS MILLER, et al.,

12 Plaintiffs,

13 v.

14 SECURITY LIFE OF DENVER  
15 INSURANCE COMPANY, et al.,

16 Defendants.

17 Case No: C11-1175 PJH (JSC)

18 **ORDER DENYING CONTEMPT  
19 SANCTION AGAINST GEORGE W.  
20 SHAEFFER (Dkt. Nos. 50, 51)**

21 Now pending before the Court is Defendants' Motion joined by Plaintiffs for an Order  
22 to Show Cause as to why a contempt sanction should not issue against George W. Shaeffer for  
23 failing to appear at a properly noticed and subpoenaed deposition. (Dkt. Nos. 50, 51.) In light  
24 of the February 15, 2012 letter from George Schaeffer's psychiatrist, Dr. David Taylor, stating  
25 that Mr. Shaeffer is "extremely and acutely ill" and therefore unable to participate in "in any  
legal proceedings at this time" (Dkt. No. 62, Ex. A), this motion is DENIED without  
prejudice.

26 Pamela Shaeffer, George Shaeffer's wife, appeared on behalf of her husband at the  
27 March 1, 2012 hearing held on the motion and represented that she will search for documents  
28 in George Shaeffer's possession relating to Bruce Miller and provide any such documents to

1 Plaintiffs and Defendants. The parties may also contact Pamela Shaeffer in six weeks to  
2 determine if George Shaeffer's health has improved such that a deposition can be scheduled at  
3 that time.

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5 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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7 Dated: March 2, 2012

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JACQUELINE SCOTT CORLEY  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE